Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, The state of South Dakota is the home of Gerald (Brick) Duncan, and we are richer because Brick lives among us; and,

Whereas, Birthdays commemorate the first day of our lives, and we celebrate the birthdays of those we love, as we recognize the joys and sorrows we have shared, the strength we have gained from the obstacles and hardships we have conquered, and the small daily pleasures life offers; and,

Whereas, Brick was born to Budd and Anna (Wilder) Duncan at Springville, Iowa, on April 24, 1904, one of four boys, and one being his twin. They were named Gerald and Harold, but known most of their lives as "Brick" and "Slim"; and,

Whereas, In 1910, Brick moved with his family by emigrant train to Seneca, South Dakota, and settled on a farm, where he has lived most of his life; and,

Whereas, Brick resides at Oahe Villa in Gettysburg, South Dakota, and will observe his 107th Birthday with all the good wishes, fanfare, and celebration such a milestone warrants, as his friends and relatives gather to honor him and celebrate his life and the camaraderie of the day; and it is fitting and proper for the governor to make note of this milestone in the life of a man who has lived an exemplary life for all to emulate:

Now, Therefore, I, Dennis Daugaard, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim April 24, 2011, as

BRICK DUNCAN DAY

in South Dakota, and I join all his friends and relatives in wishing him a very happy birthday, good health, and great happiness.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-first Day of April in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Eleven.

Dennis Daugaard

Dennis Daugaard, Governor

Attest:

Jason Gant

Jason M. Gant, Secretary of State